

For a better classroom time

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It is important to have the best atmosphere for learning in class. For this purpose, here you can find some basic and simple rules that I have sadly notice to fail sometimes. I prefer to state them precisely to avoid them to happening in the future. (2 pages)

Before the class: Please read the notes before each class. So that the class will be more beneficial for you.

During the class: Ask questions, answer to the questions even if you are unsure it can help you and the class to not do a mistake again. Mistakes are ok and they will make you grow.

Questions concerning the MATERIAL OF THE COURSE: Questions concerning the MATERIAL OF THE COURSE are more than welcome and important. Please ask questions. You should never stay with a notion of the class that you did not understood. You can ask them during the class, by email or during the office hour. My goal is to make sure that the material is understood by everyone of you and your goal is to be on top of the material and let me know when you feel lost.

Grading: You will not have full credit for an incomplete, incorrect or unjustified answer as well as if you do not properly use the mathematical language, this being determine by the rules of logic. The amount of points attributed to a question will be fairly determine by the grader.

Mistakes: Mistakes are of course part of learning. It is important to understand that every mistake made in class, could have been made by you and you should try to get a lesson out of it. Maturity is essential for a positive atmosphere of learning.

Behavior in class: Disrespect is absolutely not tolerate in class toward the other students or the professor. Useless comments or questions, only create a negative atmosphere of learning for the all class and will be ignored.

Participation: Please answer to the question only when the professor decide you can, in order to let everyone else think as well. Not everyone has the same speed.

Comments: Comments about the class are welcome throughout the semester. I will be happy to help you as much as it is possible. Comments about handwriting and accent are already noted and do not need to be commented again. Unfortunately only so much can be done about it. If you do not understand something on the board or that I say, you are welcome to ask me to repeat. Remember that the class notes are posted for each class so that you can control at any stage what you wrote.

Also, comments should refer to a notion that you understood badly, difficulty that you are having learning the material, specifying the section. Before any complains, you need to make sure you work at least 3 hours after each class and input enough effort to learn the material.

Inappropriate comments will be ignored.

Typos: As you noted, I take time to post class notes, detailed solutions and even sometimes extra help you might need in my webpage in order for you to have a better learning process. This takes a large amount of my free time. I always try to double check everything but this can still contain typos. I will be happy to correct them, if you email me if you find any, as long as it is done in a polite and appropriate way.

Notations: As you might know already several notations can stand for a same thing in mathematics, and definitions might differ from a book, class to another. It is important for you to understand if your definitions, notations is equivalent or not to the one given in class. If you have any doubt, please ask me. You cannot make up your own mathematical language, the later has precise rule.

Missing test: If you miss any test during the semester and you are allowed to take the test at another time, any material of the class before the day you take the test can be asked. The material required might be different from the another student who took the test a different day in order to be fair in term of the time you have for studying the material before the test.